



Synthesis and Characterisation of Bidentate Schiff Base Derived From Furfuraldehyde And Its Transition Metal Complexes

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ABSTRACT

The schiff base ligand was prepared from furfuraldehyde with 4-amino-5-mercapto-5-triazole and characterised. The metal complexes of Ti(III),V(III),Mn(III),Co(III) and Ru(III) derived from this ligand were characterised by elemental analyses, molar conductance, magnetic measurements, infra red 1H NMR & electronic spectral data. Based on these studies octahedral structures have been assigned to these complexes.

Key words : Furfuraldehyde, Triazole & Octahedral.

INTRODUCTION

Schiff bases are an important class of ligands in coordination chemistry and their complexing ability containing different donor atoms is widely reported¹⁻⁴. The ligands resulting from 4-amino-3-ethyl-5-mercapto-5-triazole (AMT) with benzaldehyde and 2-hydroxy-1-naphthaldehyde have been reported^{5,6}. A survey of chemical literature reveals that very little work appears to have been done on the synthesis and characterisation of the schiff bases derived from furfuraldehyde and AMT and therefore it was thought to be of interest to extend the studies of this schiff base to the synthesis of complexes with Ti(III), V(III), Mn(III), Co(III) & Ru(III)

EXPERIMENTAL

All the chemicals used were of A.R. grade or equivalent purity. Ethanol and ether were distilled before use. Furfuraldehyde (sisco) and metal chlorides were procured from reputed firms and used as such except Ti(III) chloride which was prepared in the lab by reported method.

Preparation of the Ligand

4-amino-3-ethyl-5-triazole was prepared by reported method⁶. The schiff base was prepared by refluxing the equimolar mixture of furfuraldehyde and triazole in ethanol for about 3h. The reaction mixture was then kept over night at room temperature, when the crystals of the schiff base

were obtained. These were filtered and washed with ethanol. The product was purified by recrystallisation from ethanol. The purity of the ligand was checked by TLC.

Preparation of the Complexes

The solution of the metal salt was added dropwise to the hot ethanolic solution of the ligand in the molar ratio of 1:2 with constant stirring. Immediate precipitation resulted in each case. The precipitate was filtered, washed and dried in vacuum desiccator.

Characterisation of Ligand and Metal Complexes

The melting points of ligand and its metal complexes were determined by open capillary method and are uncorrected. C, H & N were estimated by microanalysis. Metals were estimated gravimetrically in the lab. The IR spectra were recorded on a Beckmann IR-20 spectrophotometer in the range of 4000-250 cm⁻¹. The electronic spectra of the complexes were recorded by Beckmann- DU spectrometer. The magnetic susceptibility was determined by Gouy's method using CuSO₄.5H₂O as calibrant.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The analytical data for the complexes suggested 1:2 stoichiometry for all the synthesised complexes. The vast difference in the melting point of the ligand and its corresponding metal complexes indicated the formation of the complexes. The complexes were stable in air and non-hygroscopic. These are insoluble in common organic solvents but soluble in nitrobenzene, acetone, DMF & DMSO.

The determination of molar conductance at 25°C and 10⁻³M dilution suggested 1:1 electrolytic nature for all the complexes.

The IR spectrum of the ligand shows characteristic NH and S-H bands at 3160 and 2600 cm⁻¹ respectively⁷⁻⁸. Another band at 1090 cm⁻¹ is assigned to (C=S). The deprotonation of thiol group and complexation through sulphur is indicated by the absence of band at 2600 cm⁻¹ due to SH in the spectra of complexes. Metal-sulphur bond^{9,10} formation is further confirmed by a band at

380-340 cm⁻¹ in the far IR region. A new band appears in the region of 760 cm⁻¹ which may be assigned to (C-S). This further supported the coordination through sulphur atom. A strong band in the region 1620 cm⁻¹ in the free ligand assigned to (-N=CH is lowered by 20-30 cm⁻¹ in the spectra of the complexes, suggesting coordination through azomethine nitrogen atom of the schiff base¹¹. This is further supported by metal-nitrogen band in the region of 540-480 cm⁻¹¹².

The presence of coordinated water molecules is suggested by a broad band in the region of 3400-3450 cm⁻¹ and supported by wagging and rocking modes in the region of 840-850 and 740-755 cm⁻¹ respectively¹³. It is also supported by TGA.

The ¹H NMR spectrum of the ligand shows signal due to SH protons at 9.70 which disappears in the spectra of the corresponding M(III) complexes. The signal at 7.35 due to azomethine proton has shifted in the spectra of the complexes. These changes in the ¹H NMR spectra indicated chelation of the ligand through sulphur and azomethine nitrogen.

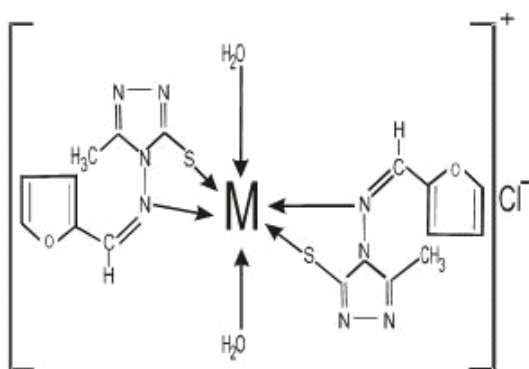
The electronic spectrum of Ti(III) complex shows a single broad band at 19560 cm⁻¹ due to ²T_{2g} → ²E_g transitions for Oh symmetry¹⁴. The value of magnetic moment of this complex is 1.68 B.M. which is in the expected range for d¹ system like Ti(III) and shows paramagnetic character of the complex. It also shows that Ti(III) has not been oxidised to Ti(IV) during or after complexation, although it is very sensitive to oxidation.

The Mn(III) complex shows a magnetic moment of 4.93 B.M. corresponding to the presence of four unpaired electrons and high spin state of the complex. This value also suggests the absence of any kind of exchange interaction¹⁵. The electronic spectrum of complex shows an intense and sharp charge transfer band at 22000 cm⁻¹ and a spin allowed d-d transition at 18540 cm⁻¹, characteristic of octahedral geometry¹⁵.

The study of magnetic properties of the Co(III) complex indicated diamagnetic nature, as expected for a low spin d⁶ ion. The electronic

Table: Characterisation of ligand and complexes

S. No	Molecular Formula of Complexes	Colour	M.P. °C	Elemental Analyses				Mag. Moment B.M	Molar Conduct Ohm ⁻¹ cm ² mol ⁻¹ (DMF)
				%C	%H	%N	%metal		
1	Ligand[C ₈ H ₇ ON ₄ S ₂ 2H ₂ O] Mol. Wt=206	Light Yellow	185	46.30 (46.37)	3.37 (3.38)	27.00 (27.05)	-	-	-
2	[Ti(C ₈ H ₇ ON ₄) ₂]Cl Mol.Wt=326.5	Yellow	222 (58.89)	58.85 (4.92)	4.90 (17.17)	17.00 (14.72)	14.68 1:1	1.68	55
3	[V(C ₈ H ₆ ON ₄ S) ₂]Cl Mol Wt=328.2	Dark Yellow	229 (58.53)	58.49 (4.87)	4.85 (17.07)	16.96 (15.54)	15.50 1:1	2.92	61
4	[Mn(C ₈ H ₆ ON ₄) ₂ 2H ₂ O]Cl Mol Wt = 332.5	Brown	233 (57.83)	57.73 (4.81)	4.80 (16.85)	16.79 (16.56)	16.49 1:1	4.93	63
5	[CO(C ₈ H ₆ ON ₄ S) ₂ 2H ₂ O]Cl Mol Wt =336.5	Purple	239 (57.14)	57.03 (4.76)	4.75 (16.66)	16.60 (17.55)	17.49 agnetic	Diam	1:1
6	[Ru(C ₈ H ₆ ON ₅ S) ₂ 2H ₂ O]Cl Mol Wt=378.5	Green	278 (50.79)	50.70 (4.23)	4.20 (14.81)	14.80 (26.71)	26.62 1:1	1.98	57



The observed value of effective magnetic moment of the complex is 2.92B.M. as expected for d2 system like V(III). The electronic spectrum the complex exhibits a band at 16110cm⁻¹ with a shoulder at 20530cm⁻¹. The low energy band may be assigned to ²A_{1g} → ³T_{2g} and the high energy band to ²A_{1g} → ³T_{2g}(p) transition. These are characteristic of octahedral geometry¹⁷.

The Ru(III) complex shows a magnetic moment of 1.98 B.M. and three bands in its electronic spectrum at 13650, 17600 and 22500 cm⁻¹. These bands are assigned to ⁴T_{2g} → ⁴T_{1g}, ⁴T_{2g} → ⁴T_{2g} & ²T_{2g} → ²A_{2g}, ²T_{1g} respectively. These are similar to those reported for other Ru(III) octahedral complexes¹⁸.

spectrum of the chelate displays bands at 15230, 21195 and 23410cm⁻¹, assignable to ¹A_{1g} → ³T_{2g}, ¹A_{1g} → ¹T_{1g} and ¹A_{1g} → ¹T_{2g} transitions respectively. These are characteristic of low spin octahedral complexes of Co(III)¹⁶.

CONCLUSION

Based on elemental analyses, molar conductance magnetic and spectral data, octahedral geometry has been proposed for all the synthesised complexes.

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